Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 27 Sep 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 28 Sep 2021

Forecast Issued on Sunday 26 Sep 2021 at 14:58 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for a period of unsettled Autumnal weather, lower confidence for specific details towards the end of the week.

Headline for Monday 27 Sep 2021: A wet start but rain clearing in the afternoon, blustery showers and some brightness to follow.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 27 Sep 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
80%	80%	80%	80%	40%	30%	30%	20%

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Weather: A wet night for most ranges but rain beginning to clear the western ranges shortly after dawn. Remaining wet for much of morning for ranges in the east around Glenshee and Loch Muick. Clearer weather will spread east for the afternoon with some brightness however showers are also likely to develop especially in the west around Loch Tay area, perhaps remaining dry for hills further east. With strong westerly winds any showers will move through quite quickly. Some showers may be wintery on Lochnagar, Ben Lawers and other higher tops.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% in the early morning with a lot of low cloud associated with rainfall. Improving to 70% in the afternoon, some patches or periods of scattered low cloud still likely especially in the west around showers.

Visibility: Poor visibility in the morning in heavy rain and with extensive low cloud from 400m. Cloud breaking up as rain clears and by the afternoon there will be bright spells and periods of low cloud near showers from 600m and above, in any heavier showers visibility will dip to a few kilometres for a time. For eastern hills in the afternoon visibility will be very good.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	24/30 S	9/12 W	12/15 NW	16/21 W	26/33 SW	31/41 SW	35/45 SW	35/45 SW	32/43 S
900	17/23 S	6/9 W	8/11 NW	12/18 W	20/27 SW	25/35 SW	24/34 SW	24/35 SW	23/33 S
600	11/21 S	3/6 NW	5/9 W	10/17 W	15/25 W	19/33 SW	18/33 SW	18/33 SW	15/29 S
300	9/19 S	5/10 NW	5/11 W	8/15 W	9/19 W	13/27 SW	11/25 SW	9/22 SW	5/15 S
Glen	10/23 S	4/10 SW	3/7 W	10/19 W	6/14 W	13/26 SW	7/18 SW	8/21 SW	7/19 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	8/3	5/3	4/1	2/-3	2/-4	2/-4	2/-6	2/-6	1/-6
900	10/6	7/6	6/4	4/0	4/-1	5/-1	4/-2	3/-2	3/-3
600	12/10	9/8	8/7	6/3	7/3	8/4	6/2	6/1	5/1
300	13/12	11/10	10/9	9/7	10/8	10/8	8/6	8/5	7/5
Glen	14/13	12/12	11/11	10/8	10/9	12/9	9/8	8/6	8/6
Freezing Level*	2800m	2700m	2300m	1700m	1500m	1400m	1300m	1300m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Gusty winds in the afternoon with gale force gusts at height, feeling a lot cooler than of late, possibility of showers turning wintery on the highest tops.

Forecast for Tuesday 28 Sep 2021

Weather: Some low cloud overnight and light rain on the more western hills but drier in the north and east. A mainly dry morning to follow on Tuesday but some rain or showers possible in the afternoon and evening, showers may be sleety on the highest tops at first.

Maximum wind: Southerly 15-20mph with gusts around 30mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80% cloud bases mainly above 800m but perhaps lowering in the west in the afternoon in rain or showers for a time.

Visibility: In the morning visibility will be good or very good but falling moderate at times in the afternoon and evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 rising to 12 Celsius, falling to 6 Celsius later.
At 800m: Plus 3 rising to 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: Just above the higher summits.

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